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DIARY NOTES

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23 December 1960

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1. The Director talked to [REDACTED] about the possibility of recalling [REDACTED] to active duty to serve on the Board of National Estimates. At [REDACTED] request, and in collaboration with Emmett Echols and Sherman Kent, I prepared a draft letter for the Director to send to [REDACTED] requesting this recall. 25X1A

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3. [REDACTED] advised me of a nasty situation in connection with the move of the Foreign Documents Division from [REDACTED] to 1717 H Street. The General Services Administration and the owner are deadlocked over the terms of the new lease for this building and the alterations which we have requested cannot be made until the dispute is settled. At the same time we must move out of [REDACTED] which is to be demolished. GSA wants us either to move into this space and to have the alterations come along later or to move into the first two floors of this building and wait until the dispute is settled. In this way, the alterations could be made before we move in; however, it would, of course, be necessary to occupy the first two floors on an extremely austere basis. I told H. S. that I saw no objection to going ahead with one of these alternatives and I have also told [REDACTED] the same thing.

4. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. The Director announced that he would meet with Mr. Cannon's Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee at 10:00 a.m. on 6 January. In this connection, we have a lot of work to do to get ready.

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b. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] had written a novel on espionage and that the Security office had recommended that he not be

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permitted to publish it because of his deep involvement in clandestine activities. After some discussion Mr. Kirkpatrick said that he would be very glad to read the manuscript and make a recommendation after the holidays. It was turned over to him to read.

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